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Dear Mrs. Allen:

Thank you so much for discussing with me the possibility of my firm being part of a submission in a request for proposal (RFP) to facility planning and control (FP&C) to perform work under a subcontract with a local Thibodaux architect. The request for proposal will be submitted by the Thibodaux based private firm, Weimer-Gros-Flores. My firm, Gossen-Holloway & Associates which is also a Thibodaux based private firm, would have a subcontract with Weimer-Gros-Flores on a renovation of Barker Hall and Chabert Hall along with a 6,000 S.F. addition on Nicholls State University Campus. The request for proposal that Weimer-Gros-Flores submits will be one of several submitted by firms throughout the state. Facility planning and control (FP&C) will review all submitted RFP's then select a firm and sign contracts with the successful firm.

I am requesting an advisory opinion on this matter because my wife, Sandy Holloway, has recently won the District 3 Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) seat. Since neither my wife or I have ever held an elected position, I wanted to make sure that I am not in any violation.

I want to thank you for sharing with me the ethics' board decision to allow Mr. Guillot, who was a sitting board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) member in 2014, to enter into a subcontract with a private firm awarded a contract by the division of administration. With the exception that I own 100% of my private firm, I believe that my advisory opinion request closely parallels Mr. Guillot's request to subcontract with a private firm.

The required time for submission of the RFQ to facility planning and control (FP&C) is January 6, 2016. If a decision can be made as soon as possible it would be greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank you and the committee in advance for your advisory opinion and consideration.

Sincerely,

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